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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted," dated September 20, 2001, response to which is due November 20, 2001, enclosed are the following:

A copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted."

A "Declaration and Power of Attorney" executed by the inventor(s).

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

A check in the amount of \$370.00 in payment of the filing fee.

A check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Optober 17, 2001

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## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
   Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.

  A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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